

**CLAIMS SET AS AMENDED 09/28/2003**

What is claimed is:

1. (Original) A chaffer having a frame and having a chaffer length and having a chaffer width, for use in an agricultural combine having a fan blowing air through the chaffer for chaffing of a crop, the chaffer comprising:  
a plurality of air jets dimensioned and configured to provide an air blast; and  
a plurality of screens positioned between the air jets, at least one of the screens having a plurality of apertures dimensioned and configured to admit such crop, the plurality of apertures having a minimal flow of air therethrough.
2. (Original) The chaffer of claim 1, further comprising:  
a plurality of individual chaffing elements positioned coterminously within such frame, each one of the plurality of individual chaffing elements having an element length and an element width.
3. (Original) The chaffer of claim 2, wherein each one of the individual chaffing elements positioned coterminously within such frame further comprises at least one of the plurality of air jets and at least one of the plurality of screens.
4. (Original) The chaffer of claim 3, wherein at least one of the plurality of air jets

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